

M E M O R A N D U M

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TO: JIM GARRISON, District Attorney
FROM: ANDREW J. SCIAMBRA, Assistant D. A.
RE: CLAY SHAW

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During my recent interview with MR. JAMES J. PLAINE of Houston, Texas, MR. PLAINE informed me that he had been contacted by a MR. WHITE of Freeport Sulphur in regards to a possible assassination plan for Fidel Castro.

MR. PLAINE said that MR. WHITE was only one of the many oil and import people that he had occasion to talk to from New Orleans regarding Castro.

MR. PLAINE also informed me that he thought that the picture of CLAY SHAW was very familiar, and that he may have met him in Houston, either at his apartment or at the Normandy Club which the oil people of Texas frequent.

A memo in the GUY BANISTER file indicates that there is information which reports that DICK WHITE, a high official of Freeport Sulphur, and CLAY SHAW were flown to Cuba probably taking off from the Harvey Canal Area in a Freeport Sulphur plane piloted by DAVE FARRIE. The purpose of this trip was to set up import of Cuba's nickel ore to a Canadian front corporation which would in turn ship to the Braithwaite nickel plant. The plant was built by the U. S. Government at the cost of about one million dollars.

The report is that the combine of Freeport Sulphur, WHITE, and SHAW purchased the plant for a million dollars and intended to get ore through a Canadian corporation they had formed. There is also a report that GUY BANISTER hired FERRIE and JACK MARTIN as investigators to check out the nickel plant deal.

check James S.
Plain interview

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Kirkwood

In '63 or 64:

Reported that Dick White, Pres. 1st Natl - Gretna, high official of Freeport Sulphur and Clay Shaw were flown to Cuba (probably taking off from Harvey canal area in Freeport private plane, piloted by Ferrie.

Purpose, to set up import of Cuba's nickle ore to a Canadian 'front' Corp, which would in turn ship to Braithwaite Nickle Plant. Plant was built by U.S. Government at cost of about 20 million.

Report is that combine of Freeport, White and Shaw purchased plant for \$1 million and intended to get ore thru Canadian Corp they had formed.

Report further: Guy Bannister then hired Ferrie and Jack Martin as investigators to check out the nickle plant deal.

Further: Salisbury (W. S. Young Const. Co. lineman) who was involved in robbery and accused of trying to bribe a La. State Policeman, was hired to kill Bannister. (Salisbury later successfully fought extradition from Ga.)

In some way a Will Riggs, who was reported dead off the coast of Florida under mysterious circumstances) is rumored to have been mixed up in this deal.

II. Check Pat Kirkwood, Forth Worth: Reputed vice-lord of Fort Worth and close friend of Jack Ruby.

III. Check ~~xxx~~ Daily Star - Hammond, La. supposedly a Graduate student, (presume Southeastern) says Ferrie hid out the night of the assassination in a dorm in Hammond. There is an airport in Hammond (also home of Shaw's mother). Athletic Dir. Grady Martin might have some info.

IV. Check TOMMY SCILLECI (or Scheleci) in Ricky's class. Tombstone made in class day before assassination. School in Bissonet.

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